

Minutes of the meeting held on September 4, 2018

Present: Francis Murphy – Chair, Michael Gardner, John Shinkwin, Ellen Philbin, James Quirk and Chris Burns.

Left Early: James Monagle and Nadia Chamblin-Foster (Both absent for agenda items 9 through 18.)

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 PM. The meeting was digitally recorded.

Agenda Item #1 – Minutes

Motion by Gardner, seconded by Shinkwin to accept the regular minutes of the meeting held on August 6, 2018. Voted unanimously.

Motion by Gardner, seconded by Monagle to accept the executive session minutes of the meeting held on August 6, 2018. Voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #2 - Warrants

Motion by Shinkwin, seconded by Gardner to accept payment of warrant #16 in the amount of \$7,057,030.47 and to accept payment of warrant #17 in the amount of \$1,495,641.98. Voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #3 – Superannuations

Motion by Shinkwin, seconded by Chamblin-Foster to accept the Superannuation retirement applications submitted by Emily Goodfader, RN, Cambridge Health Alliance with thirty-two years; Jill Kervick, Paraprofessional, School Dept. with twenty-one years, seven months; Ellen Pridham, Access Control Specialist, Cambridge Health Alliance with twenty-one years, five months; Cecil Sinclair, Custodian, School Dept. with twenty-seven years, five months. Voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #4 - Make-ups/Redeposits / Liability

The Board reviewed make-up and redeposit worksheets for four members.

Motion by Monagle, seconded by Chamblin-Foster to allow the make-up of contributions requested by Michael Cook, 6 months; Thomas J. Glynn, 4 months; Patricia L. O’Connell, 1 month; also to allow the redeposit of a refund requested by Clint R. McFarland, 7 months. Voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 – Refund Applications

The Board reviewed a list of refund applications submitted in August.

Motion by Gardner, seconded by Shinkwin to accept seven refund applications. Voted unanimously.

The Chairman requested to adjourn the open meeting and go into executive session for the purpose of discussing disability retirement applications. The Chairman stated that the meeting would reconvene in open session at the conclusion of the executive session. On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

Michael Gardner:	YES
Nadia Chamblin-Foster	YES
John Shinkwin:	YES
James Monagle:	YES
Francis Murphy:	YES

Agenda Item #6 – Accidental Disability Benefit – Craig Labastie

The Board reviewed the certificates and narrative reports of three separate medical exams, the member's application, treating physician's statement and employer's statement pertaining to Craig Labastie's Accidental Disability application.

Motion by Shinkwin, seconded by Gardner to accept the findings of the medical panel and grant Accidental Disability benefits to Craig Labastie, a Police Officer. On a roll call, it was voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #7 – Accidental Disability Benefit – Robert Violanto

The Board reviewed the certificates and narrative reports of three separate medical exams, the member's application, treating physician's statement and employer's statement pertaining to Robert Violanto's Accidental Disability application. Robert Violanto attended the meeting and responded to questions from the Board.

Motion by Gardner, seconded by Monagle to accept the findings of the medical panel and grant Accidental Disability benefits to Robert Violanto, Painter in the Dept. of Public Works. On a roll call, it was voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #8 – Accidental Disability Application – James Jones

The Board reviewed the member's application, treating physician's statement and employer's statement pertaining to James Jones' Accidental Disability application. Attorney Michael Akashian appeared, representing the member.

Motion by Gardner, seconded by Chamblin-Foster to accept the application for Accidental Disability filed by James Jones, a Senior Custodian in the School Dept. On a roll call, it was voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #9 – 91A Hearing – Jean Guy Fedna

The Board reviewed correspondence with Jean Guy Fedna.

The Chairman stated that PERAC confirmed receipt of Mr. Fedna's completed 91A form and that it was not necessary to proceed with a hearing.

Agenda Item #10 – 91A Hearing – David George

The Board reviewed correspondence with David George.

The Chairman stated that PERAC confirmed receipt of Mr. George's completed 91A form and that it was not necessary to proceed with a hearing.

Agenda Item #11 – Segal Marco Advisors

The Board reviewed the proposed contract with Segal Marco Advisors.

The Director stated that Quirk has reviewed the proposed contract and has no objections.

Gardner noted that the contract includes language requiring the Board to reimburse Segal for any expenses. The Director stated that Segal has never actually requested any reimbursement.

Motion by Shinkwin, seconded by Gardner to approve the contract with Segal. The motion carried on a 3-0 vote, with Chamblin-Foster and Monagle absent.

Agenda Item #12 - PERAC Memos

PERAC did not issue any memos in August and no action was taken by the Board.

Agenda Item #13 - Old Business

Not needed.

Agenda Item #14 - New Business

Not needed.

Agenda Item #15 - Executive Session

Agenda Item #6 – adopted

Agenda Item #7 – adopted

Agenda Item #8 – adopted

Agenda Item #16 - Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported on securities litigation. The portfolio monitoring firms are reviewing a company called Med Max, who are involved in buying and managing medical offices. Losses to the Cambridge Retirement System are approximately \$1 million.

The Chairman also reported that Starz/Lionsgate has agreed to settle their case and will pay \$92.5 million in damages. Quirk stated that it appears to be a very favorable settlement, and the payout is higher than had been anticipated. At this point, it is not clear how much Cambridge will receive from the settlement. Gardner requested that the Chairman report back once it is clear how much Cambridge will receive, and to also report on how much the attorneys take as a fee. Gardner also requested that the Director report on how the system came to own the stocks in these lawsuits.

Agenda Item #17 – Executive Director's Report

The Director reported that a Cambridge retiree, who had been living in Florida, was the victim of a homicide in April. The Director stated that she met with detectives who are investigating the case.

Responses to the Legal RFP are due on September 5th. The Director reported that Jim Quirk is the only person to respond so far.

Gardner requested that the Director consider including ADV-2 forms on the agenda when they are received.

The following documents were also reviewed by the Board:

- List of Retiree Deaths
- Manager/Vendor Disclosure Statement: RBC International Fund
- Hancock Timberland X – Update
- Landmark Real Estate Fund VI 1Q18 Fund Fact Sheet
- Lazard Portfolio Review – July 2018
- Rhumblin Advisers hires Lisa Sheeler as General Counsel

Gardner moved to adjourn at 7:10 PM.